

GREENbydesign

How to plan and build healthy, sustainable affordable housing and communities in Minnesota

Resources

There are many organizations, both locally and nationally, that are working on green building and design. Listed below are some helpful websites, books, magazines, and articles that provide additional information on a number of topics related to the "Green by Design" conference.

More resources can also be found at: www.greencommunitiesonline.org/minnesota.

Websites: Good Building Practices

Green Communities (national program)

2007 Minnesota Overlay to the Green Communities Criteria

Southface Energy Institute

Energy and Environmental Building Association

MN Department of Commerce

Minnesota Energy Code

U.S. DOE Energy Star Information

EPA ENERGY STAR Indoor Air Package

Environmental Building News/Building Green

Global Green

MN Sustainable Design Guide

Center for Sustainable Building Research

Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp

LISC (see experts online)

Building Science Corporation

National Association of Home Builders Research Center

New Ecology, Inc.

(The 2005 report with the Tellus Institute

"The Costs and Benefits of Green Affordable Housing")

www.greencommunitiesonline.org

www.gmhf.com/programs/green_communities/mn_overlay.pdf

www.southface.org

www.eeba.org

www.commerce.state.mn.us

www.doli.state.mn.us/bc_energy.html

www.energystar.gov

www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=bldrs_lenders_raters.nh_iap

www.buildinggreen.com

www.globalgreen.org

www.sustainabledesignguide.umn.edu/

www.csbr.umn.edu

www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/burema/hoin/index.cfm

www.lisc.org

www.buildingscience.com

www.nahbrc.org

www.newecology.org

www.newecology.org/cb%20description.htm

Websites: Sustainable Practices and More

Active Living by Design

Transit Station Communities Project

The Athena Institute

BioRegional (solutions for sustainability)

Fresh Energy

Community Office for Resource Efficiency

The Efficient Windows Collaborative

Conservation Technologies, Duluth

Energy Bulletin

MN Affordable Green Housing Guide

Affordable Housing Design Advisor

Build It Green

Green Affordable Housing Coalition

BioHaus Project at Concordia Language Camp

www.activelivingbydesign.org

www.psrc.org/projects/tod/index.htm

www.athenasmi.ca

www.bioregional.com

www.fresh-energy.org

www.aspencore.org

www.efficientwindows.org

www.conservtech.com

www.energybulletin.net

www.greenhousing.umn.edu/index.html

www.designadvisor.org

www.build-green.org

www.frontierassoc.net/greenaffordablehousing/index.shtml

clvweb.cord.edu/prweb/press/biohaus/background.asp

Websites: Sustainable Historic Renovations

National Park Service Illustrated Guide to

Renovating Historic Buildings

National Park Service Information on Achieving

Energy-Efficiency in Historic Buildings

www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tps/tax/rhb/index.htm

www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tps/tax/rhb/energy01.htm

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Websites: Stormwater Management

Low Impact Development	www.lowimpactdevelopment.org
Center for Watershed Protection	www.cwp.org
Minnesota Green Roofs Council	www.mngreenroofs.org
GREEN Roofs for Healthy Cities	www.greenroofs.org
MN Erosion Control Association (sediment control)	www.mnerosion.org
University of Wisconsin Extension (stormwater, raingardens)	clean-water.uwex.edu/pubs/index.htm
Applied Ecological Services, Inc. (an article on alternative stormwater management)	www.appliedeco.com/NLD.cfm www.appliedeco.com/Projects/EcologicalSystemsAlternativeStormw.pdf

Websites: Healthy Housing

National Center for Healthy Housing	www.centerforhealthyhousing.org
Alliance for Healthy Homes	www.afhh.org
Environmental Health Watch	www.ehw.org
American Lung Association Health House	www.healthhouse.org/index.asp
Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America	www.aafa.org
EPA Indoor Air Quality	www.epa.gov/iaq
EPA Radon Resources	www.epa.gov/radon
Minnesota Department of Health (radon, indoor air quality)	www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/air/index.htm

Websites: Materials and Supplier Information

Carpet and Rug Institute (Green Label certified floor coverings)	www.carpet-rug.org
Green Seal (certified paints and other products)	www.greenseal.org
Common Ground Deconstruction (Duluth)	www.commongrounddeconstruction.org
Natural Built Home (Minneapolis)	www.naturalbuilthome.com
Environmental Building News/Building Green	www.buildinggreen.com

Books: Design and Building Construction

<i>Building Radon Out: A Step-by-Step Guide On How to Build Radon-Resistant Homes</i>	www.epa.gov/radon/pdfs/buildradonout.pdf
<i>How Buildings Learn</i> by Stewart Brand	
<i>Insulate and Weatherize</i> by Bruce Harley	
<i>Tap the Sun</i> published by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)	

Global Environment and Our Health

<i>Urban Sprawl and Public Health</i> by Howard Frumkin, Lawrence Frank, Richard Joseph Jackson (Detailed research on the numerous health impacts of sprawl.)	www.ourstolenfuture.org
<i>Our Stolen Future</i> by Theo Colborn et al (Sound research about persistent chemicals in the environment.)	
<i>Cradle to Cradle</i> by William McDonough (Well-researched book about good green design and building practices.)	

Recommended Magazines/Journals

<i>Fine Homebuilding</i> Good design and building practices
<i>Journal of Light Construction</i> Good building practices
<i>Plenty</i> Trendy but "green" lifestyle magazine
<i>Home Energy</i> Not always "current" but covers the entire U.S. and sometimes further
<i>Home Power</i> (www.homepower.com) Good information about renewables
<i>Environmental Building News</i> Paper and online resource—good for materials
<i>Energy Design Update</i> Aspen Publishers—sound current research, fairly in-depth

Websites: Learn What You Can Do

Earthsmart Consumer	www.earthsmartconsumer.com
NextStep	www.nextstep.state.mn.us
Living Green Expo	www.livinggreen.org
treehugger	www.treehugger.com

